

HONEY

Honey production in 2004 from producers with five or more colonies totaled 495,000 pounds, up 119,000 pounds from 2003. There were 9,000 producing colonies in 2004, up 1,000 colonies from 2003. Yield per colony averaged 55 pounds, up 8 pounds from 2003. Honey stocks on December 15, 2004, were reported at 183,000 pounds, down 11,000 pounds from the amount was reported in 2003.

Prices for the 2004 crop averaged \$1.42 per pound, down 47 cents from the revised \$1.89 per pound in 2003. Value of production totaled 703,000 dollars, down 8,000 dollars from the revised 2003 value.

HONEY: Number of Colonies, Production, Value and Stocks, 1995-2004 ^{1/}

Year	Producing Colonies	Production		Average Price Per Pound	Value	Stocks ^{2/}
		Per Colony	Total			
	(000)	Pounds	(000) Pounds	Dollars	(000) Dollars	(000) Pounds
1995	13	41	533	1.18	629	48
1996	10	59	590	1.59	938	207
1997	8	70	560	1.11	622	280
1998	6	55	330	1.14	376	155
1999	6	39	234	1.09	255	152
2000	7	54	378	1.22	461	234
2001	7	65	455	1.42	646	410
2002	9	51	459	1.32	606	151
2003	8	47	376	1.89*	711*	194
2004	9	55	495	1.42	703	183

^{1/} For producers with 5 or more colonies. ^{2/} Stocks held by producers as of December 15. Does not include stocks under loan. *Revised.

TROUT

There were 31 operations that reported selling trout and/or distributing trout in 2004, up 6 from 2003. The 21 commercial trout producers in West Virginia had fish sales of \$694,000 for the 12 month period from January 1, 2004 - December 31, 2004. This was a 45 percent increase from the \$477,000 in fish sales during the same period in 2003.

Commercial trout losses for the period totaled 59,000 pounds, up from 50,000 pounds lost in 2003.

Trout distributed for restoration, conservation, and recreational purposes are estimated at 2.2 million dollars, up 24 percent from the 2003 value of 1.7 million dollars. A total of 16 operations reported distributing trout, up 2 from 2003.

WEST VIRGINIA TROUT OPERATIONS BY TYPES, 2000-2004

Year	Selling Trout		Distributed Trout	Total Operations
	Number of Operations	Total Value of Sales	Number of Operations	
		(000) Dollars		
2000	20	611	12	30
2001	19	827	12	29
2002	17	583	11	25
2003	15	477	14	25
2004	21	694	16	31

WEST VIRGINIA TROUT: Number, Weight and Value of Foodsize Sales (12" or longer in length), 2000-2004

Year	Number Sold	Pounds Sold ^{1/}	Value of Sales	Avg. Price per Pound
	(000)	(000)	(000) Dollars	Dollars
2000	276	346	571	1.65
2001	340	467	785	1.68
2002	300	349	559	1.60
2003	320	333	450	1.35
2004	363	378	658	1.74

^{1/} Pounds sold live weight.